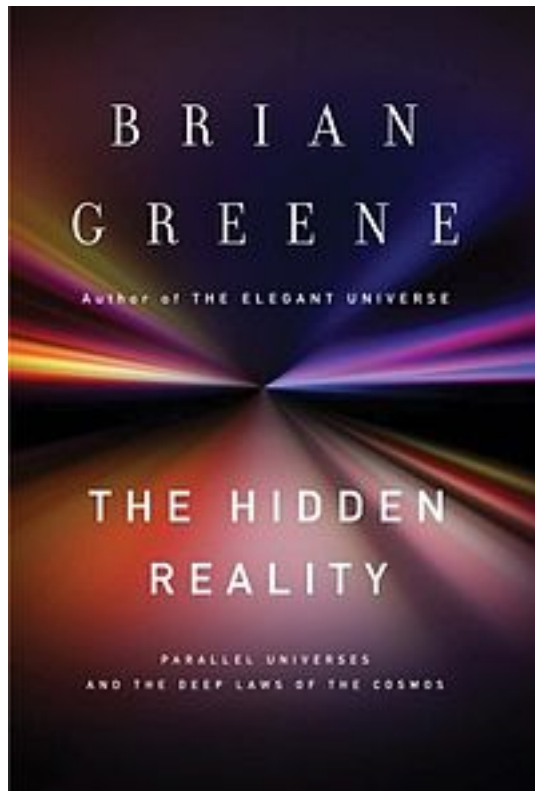


Brian Greene, Nov 6 @ 7pm

Elliott Hall of Music



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Announcements

EXAM II is Tuesday

8-10 PM – TUESDAY, Nov. 4 in Elliot Hall of Music

Material: Chapters 17, 18, and 19 in the book.

How to Study:

Practice Exam + Solutions + Eqn Sheet is on BBL.

(Note the practice exam has some
Ch 20 material, but your exam will not)

Find the WebAssign Extended Practice Problems

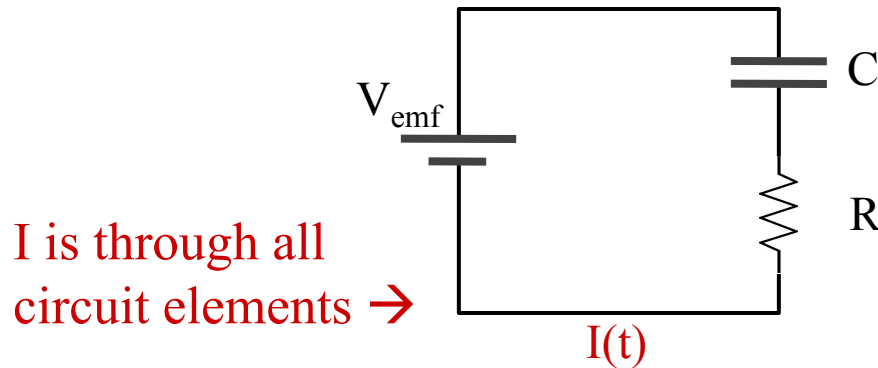
- not for credit, but you get 50 tries for ALL questions in Ch 17-19

Today

- Solving for $Q(t)$ and $I(t)$ in an RC circuit
- The "time constant" of an RC circuit is RC

GOAL: Find $Q(t)$, $I(t)$ in RC circuit

$$Q = CV$$

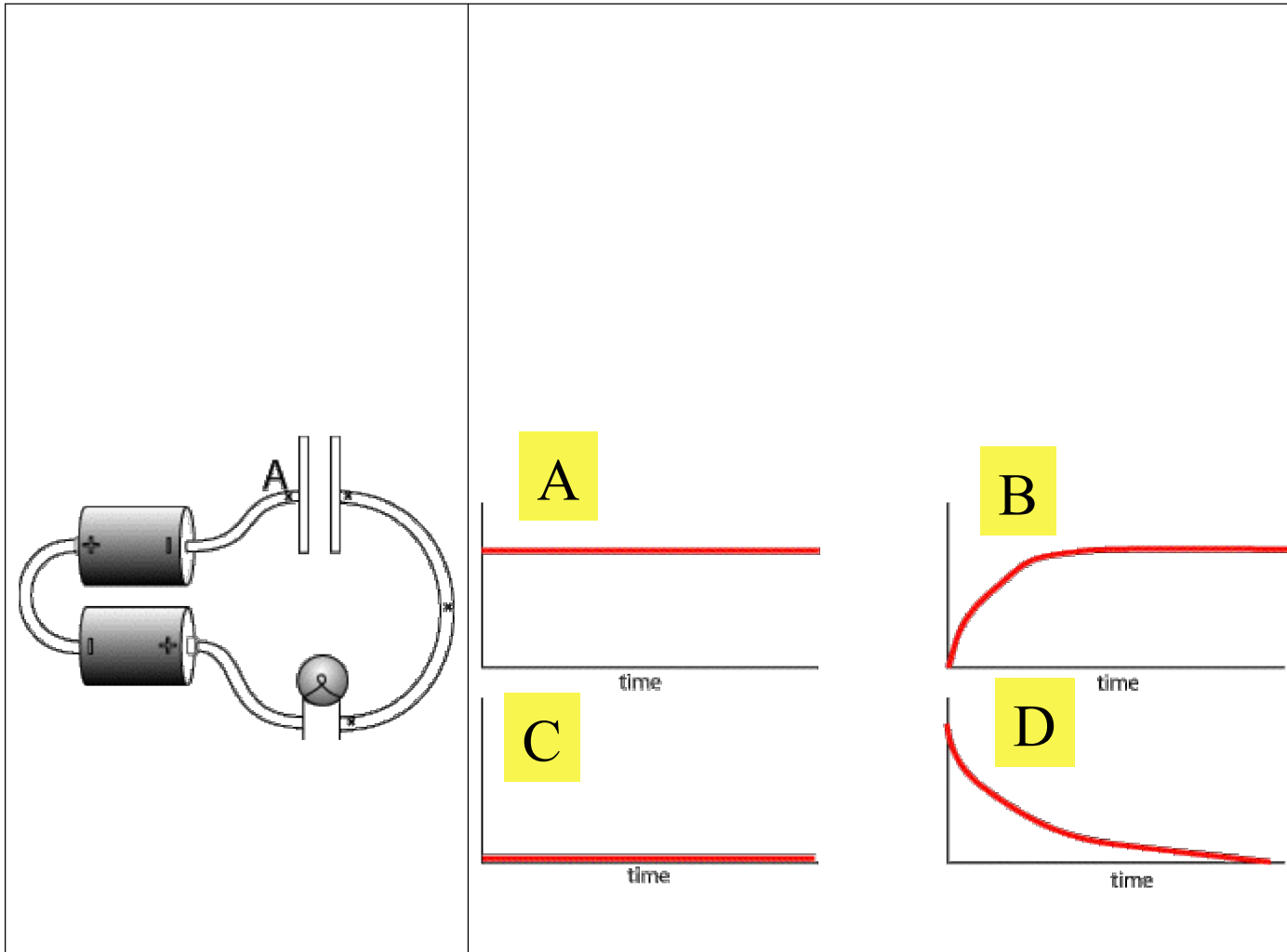


← Q is at the capacitor

First: What do we expect?

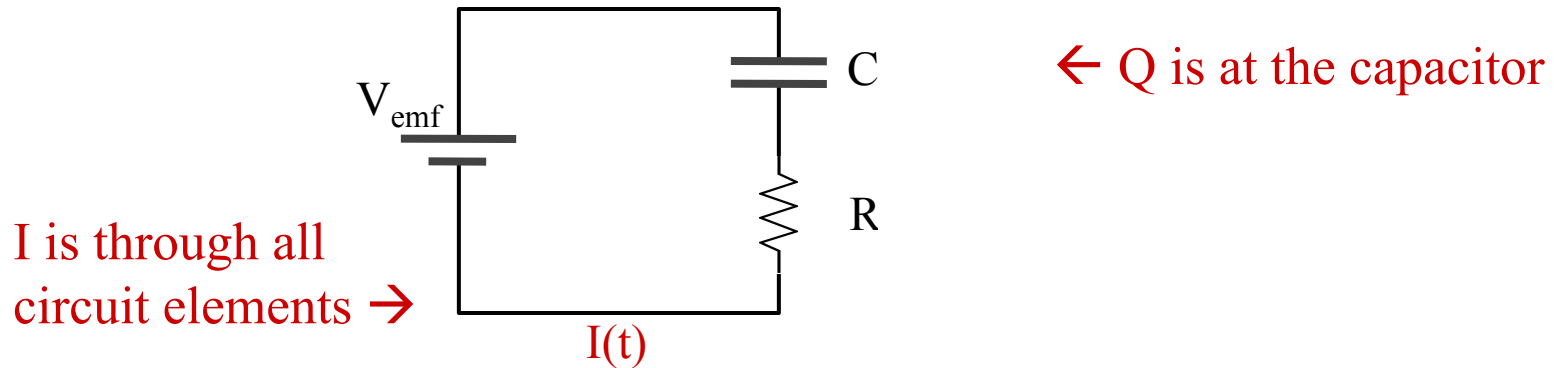
Note: we use V_{emf} Book calls it "emf".

Capacitor initially uncharged. Which graph shows the magnitude of the POTENTIAL DIFFERENCE across the LIGHT BULB FILAMENT while CHARGING?



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First: What do we expect?

Just after we connect the circuit:

$$Q = 0$$

$$V_{\text{emf}} = I R$$

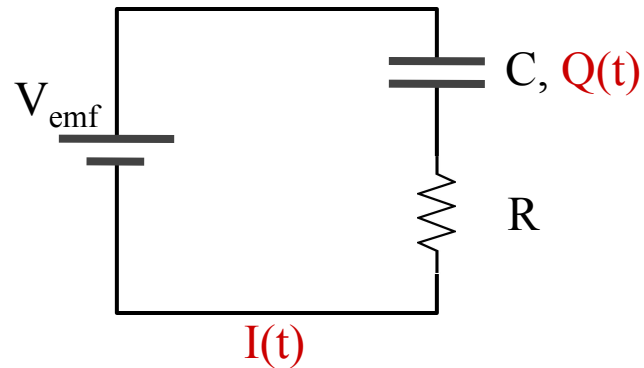
A long time after we connect it:

$$Q = C V_{\text{emf}}$$

$$I = 0$$

GOAL: Find $Q(t)$, $I(t)$ in RC circuit

$$Q = CV$$



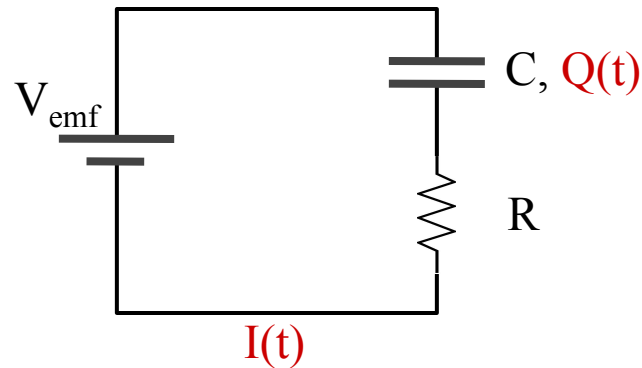
There's one more concept we need:

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$$

Let's see how...

How are $Q(t)$ and $I(t)$ related?

$$Q = CV$$



In English: Current $I = |q| \text{ n A v}$ is:
How much charge (ΔQ) passes by per unit time (Δt).

In Math:
$$I = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta t} \quad \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \Rightarrow I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$$

Charge ΔQ per time Δt moves throughout the circuit,
but it **piles up** at C .

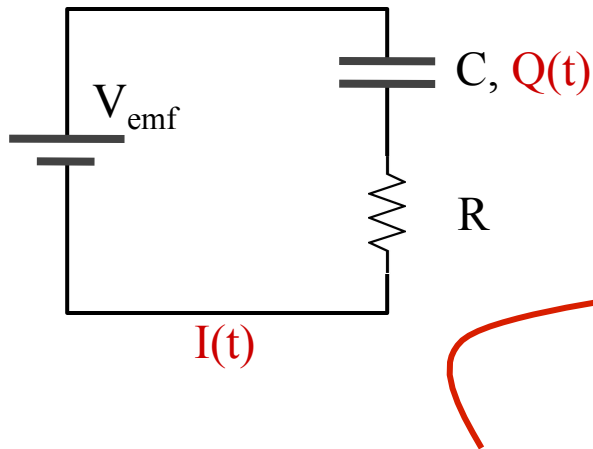
This is the same Q that is gathering on the capacitor.

GOAL: Find $Q(t)$, $I(t)$ in RC circuit

$$Q = CV$$

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$$

$$V = IR$$



$$V_{\text{emf}} = \frac{Q}{C} + IR$$

Apply Voltage Loop Rule

$$V_{\text{emf}} = \frac{Q}{C} + \frac{dQ}{dt}R$$

Use $I = \frac{dQ}{dt}$

Solve this Differential Equation for $Q(t)$.

TIP: How do you "solve" a differential equation? By already knowing the answer!

We have:

$$\frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = \frac{V_{\text{emf}}}{R} - \frac{1}{RC}Q(t)$$

And the solution is:

$$Q(t) = Ae^{-t/RC} + \text{constant}$$

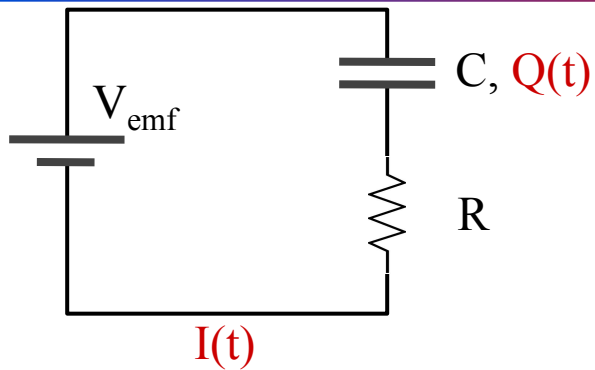
to be determined

GOAL: Find $Q(t)$, $I(t)$ in RC circuit

$$Q = CV \quad I = \frac{dQ}{dt} \quad V = IR$$

$$Q(t) = Ae^{-t/RC} + \text{constant}$$

$$\frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = \frac{V_{\text{emf}}}{R} - \frac{1}{RC}Q(t)$$



1. Try the “solution”

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dQ}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{RC}Ae^{-t/RC} = -\frac{1}{RC}\left(Q(t) - \text{constant}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{RC}\text{constant} - \frac{Q(t)}{RC} \end{aligned}$$

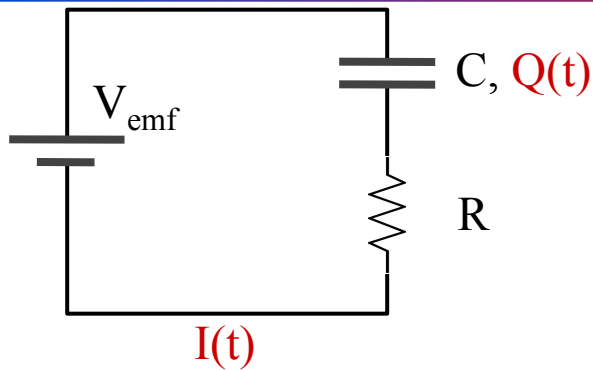
Use this

GOAL: Find $Q(t)$, $I(t)$ in RC circuit

$$Q = CV \quad I = \frac{dQ}{dt} \quad V = IR$$

$$Q(t) = Ae^{-t/RC} + \text{constant}$$

$$\frac{dQ(t)}{dt} = \frac{V_{\text{emf}}}{R} - \frac{1}{RC}Q(t) \quad \text{Compare to this}$$



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$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{constant} = V_{\text{emf}}C}$$

2. “Apply boundary conditions”
(i.e. use physics – think about the extremes)

$$\text{At } t=0: \quad Q(t \rightarrow 0) = Ae^0 + V_{\text{emf}}C = A + V_{\text{emf}}C = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A = -V_{\text{emf}}C}$$

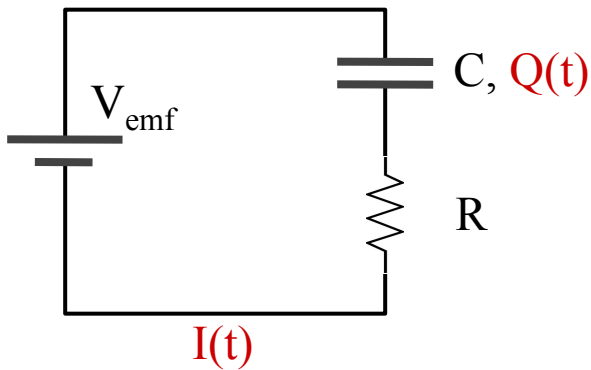
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$$Q(t) = Ae^{-t/RC} + \text{constant}$$

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$$\text{constant} = V_{\text{emf}}C$$

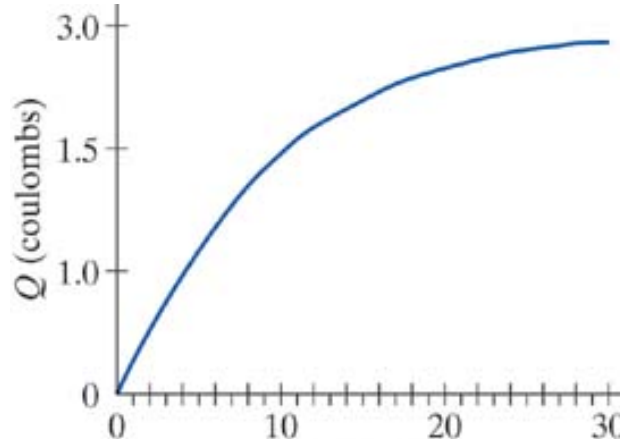
$$A = -V_{\text{emf}}C$$

$$Q(t) = -V_{\text{emf}}Ce^{-t/RC} + V_{\text{emf}}C$$

$$Q(t) = V_{\text{emf}}C \left[1 - e^{-t/RC} \right]$$

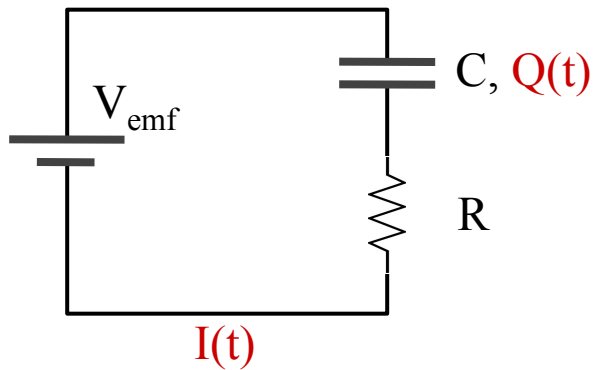
Doublecheck:
Is it what we expected?

✓ Yes, it is.



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$$Q = CV \quad I = \frac{dQ}{dt} \quad V = IR \quad Q(t) = V_{\text{emf}} C \left[1 - e^{-t/RC} \right]$$



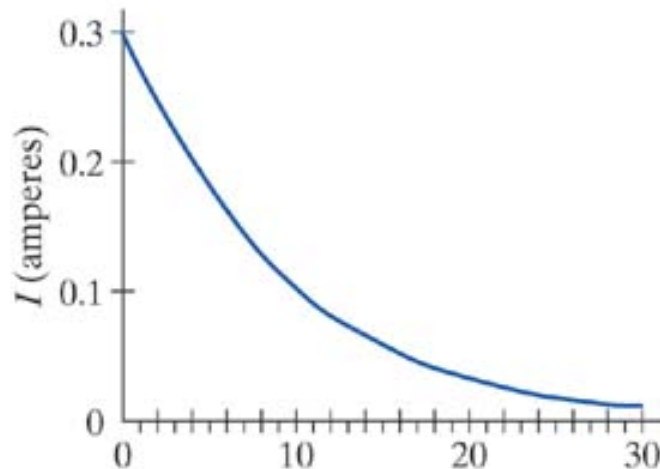
Now find $I(t)$:

$$I(t) = \frac{dQ}{dt} = -V_{\text{emf}} C \left[-\frac{1}{RC} e^{-t/RC} \right]$$

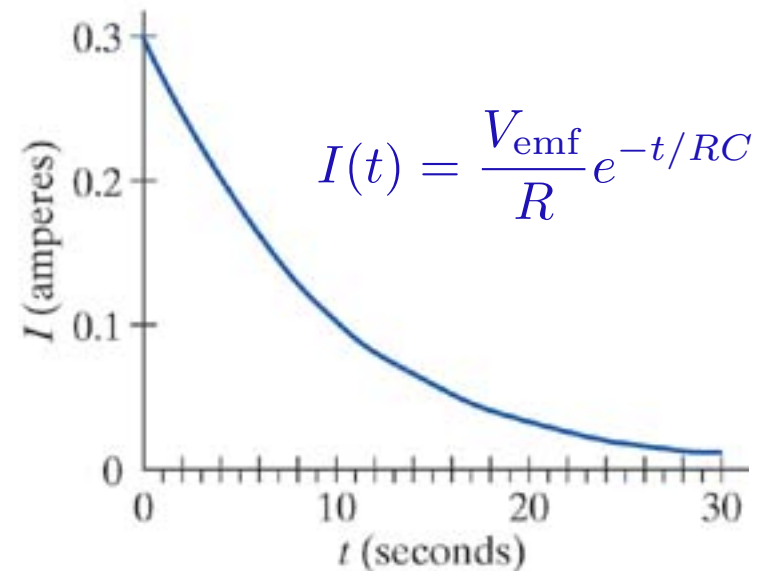
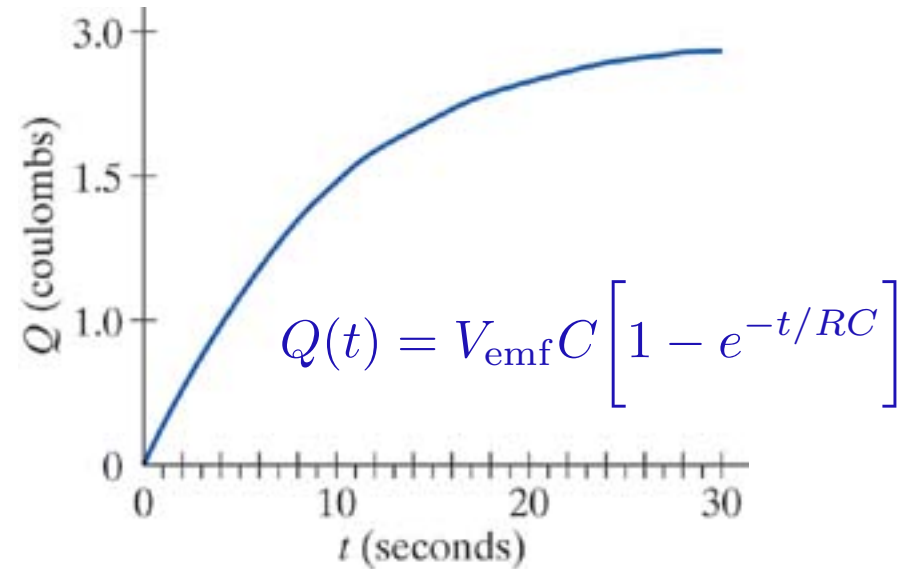
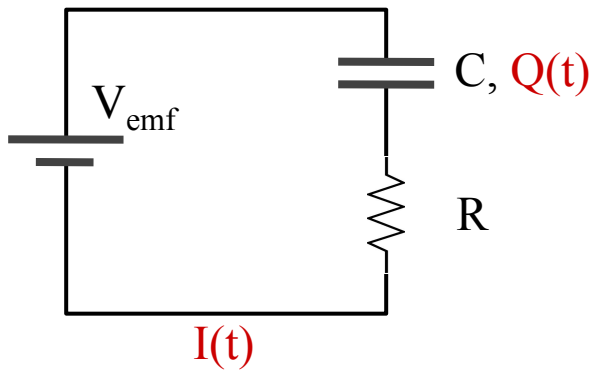
$$I(t) = \frac{V_{\text{emf}}}{R} e^{-t/RC}$$

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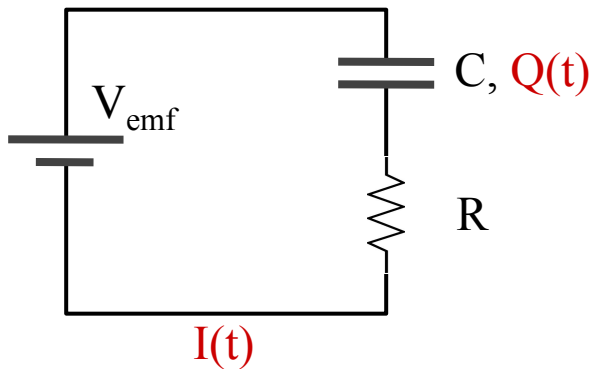
RC Circuit: Summary



The RC Time Constant

$$Q(t) = V_{\text{emf}} C \left[1 - e^{-t/RC} \right]$$

$$I(t) = \frac{V_{\text{emf}}}{R} e^{-t/RC}$$



When time $t = RC$, the current I drops by a factor of e .

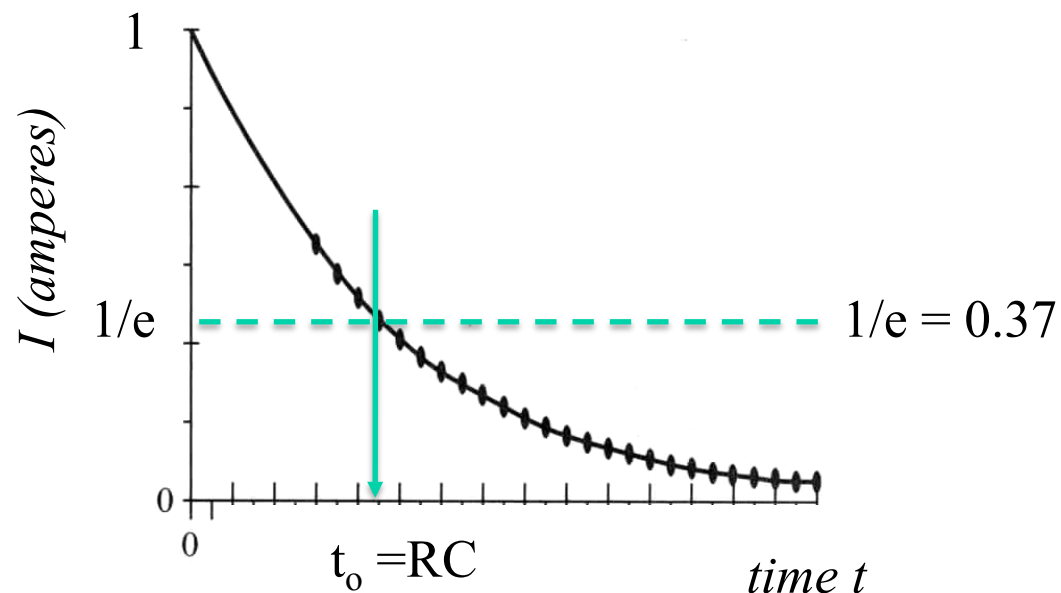
RC is the “time constant” of an RC circuit.

$$e^{-t/RC} = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{2.718} = 0.37 \quad \text{when } t = RC$$

A rough measurement of how long it takes to reach final equilibrium

What is the value of RC?

$$I(t) = \frac{V_{\text{emf}}}{R} e^{-t/RC}$$

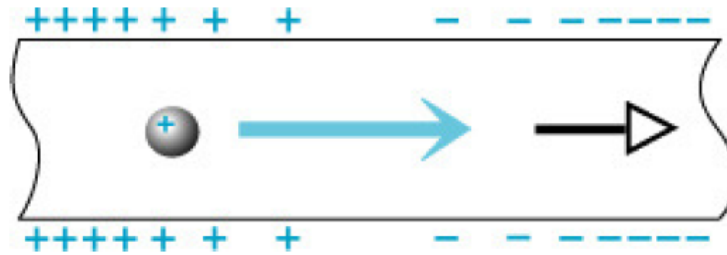


iClicker

This iClicker question is so hard
that you will have to solve it by hand
on the DocCam.

Current Density & Conductivity

$$\vec{J} = \sigma \vec{E}$$



The conductivity is a material-dependent quantity:

The current density has magnitude $J = I / A$

Unit: J , A/m²; E , V/m; σ , (A/m²)/(V/m)

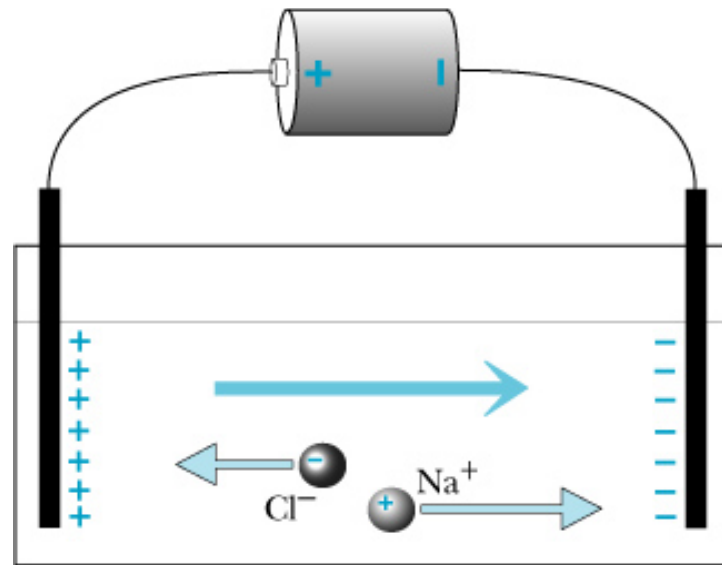
$$\sigma = |q| n u$$

carrier density

carrier charge

mobility

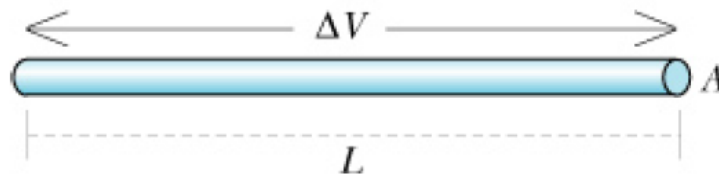
Conductivity with two kinds of charge carrier



$$\sigma = |q_1|n_1u_1 + |q_2|n_2u_2$$

Definition of Resistance

$$R = \frac{L}{\sigma A}$$



Important special case: if the conductivity remains constant regardless of how much current flows, then we call the material “ohmic” and any piece of the material obeys “Ohm’s Law”:

$$I = \text{constant} \times |\Delta V|$$

Non-ohmic examples: diodes, capacitors, batteries.

“Ohmic” Resistors

$$|\Delta V| = I R$$

$$R = \frac{L}{|q| n A u} \quad \text{depends on both material properties and geometry}$$

Never write $V = I R$ because ...

... what you really mean is $|\Delta V| = I R$

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